

PARKER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 27
1608 Laguna Avenue
Parker, AZ 85344

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

PLACE: Parker High School Media Center, 1600 Kofa Avenue, Room #88
DATE: May 12, 2009
TIME: 7:00 PM

MEMBERS

PRESENT: Mr. Rudy Parker, President
Mrs. Kelly Baldenegro, Member
Mrs. Deanna Beaver, Member

MEMBERS

ABSENT: Mrs. Dolores Ferris, Member
Mrs. Margaret Dewey, Member

OTHERS

PRESENT: Kevin Uden, Superintendent
James Lotts, Assistant Superintendent
Denyce Cribbs, Executive Assistant
Lori Bachmann, Blake Primary School Principal
Dan Wolfe, Le Pera Elementary School Principal
Brad Sale, Wallace Elementary School Principal
Amanda Maxwell, Wallace Jr. High School Principal
LeRoy Shontz, Parker High School Principal
Robert Wolf, Special Education Director
Sarah Ball, Le Pera Elementary School Library Aide (*left 7:20 PM*)
Carmen Barrios, Le Pera Elementary School Health Aide (*left 7:20 PM*)
Bethany Corona, Blake Primary School Teacher
Gloria Cruz, Le Pera Elementary School Home School Coordinator (*left 7:20 PM*)
Carrie Hennager, Blake Primary School Teacher
Chad McKenzie, Le Pera Elementary School Teacher
Karen Taft, Blake Primary School Teacher
Renea Tartaro, Le Pera Elementary School Secretary (*left 7:20 PM*)

I. OPENING ITEMS

A. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 7:16 PM by Mr. Parker, President.

B. Adopt agenda

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to adopt the agenda of the May 12, 2009, regular meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Call to Audience

There was no comment under Call to Audience.

D. Certificates of Appreciation

Carmen Barrios, Gloria Cruz, Renea Tartaro	Mr. Wolfe
Sarah Ball	Mr. Wolfe

Mr. Wolfe presented Certificates of Appreciation to Sarah Ball, Carmen Barrios, Gloria Cruz, and Renea Tartaro, and thanked them for their dedicated service to Le Pera Elementary School.

II. ACTION ITEMS

A. Approve Minutes

April 14, 2009 (regular) April 28, 2009 (special)

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to approve the minutes as listed. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Ratify Vouchers

Stu. Vou. 8020	\$1540.32	Aux. Vou. 4013	\$3821.51
Payroll 21	\$413,311.47	Exp. Vou. 1023	\$214,996.54
Exp. Vou. 1024	\$12,688.29	Payroll 22	\$410,059.59
Stu. Vou. 8021	\$820.40	Exp. Vou. 1025	\$163,884.29
Aux. Vou. 4014	\$1863.45	Payroll 22.3	\$16,283.08

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to ratify and approve the vouchers as listed. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Personnel

TYPE	SCH	NAME	POSITION	EFF DATE
1 – CERTIFIED RESIGNATION	LP	Boquet, Susan	Music Teacher	05/28/09
2 – CERTIFIED HOURLY	DIST	Chasing Hawk, Teresa	Substitute Teacher	05/11/09
3 – CERTIFIED HIRING	PHS	McGuire, Jerry	Vocational Ed Teacher – Agriculture	07/30/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Aiello, Cathy	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Ault, Derek	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Bailey, Sarah	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Baldenegro, Lori	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Beaver, Tiffany	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Carlson, Janet	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Cleere, Jim	Recruitment Materials Developer	05/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Collett, Nancy	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Corona, Bethany	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Daly, David	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Daniels, Kendra	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Flores, Jackie	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Hendricks, Ken	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Hennager, Carrie	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 – RIDER	DIST	Henneman, Dave	Summer School Teacher	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Heyman, Kari	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Johnson, Heather	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Kohl, Sandy	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Krause, Catherine	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Meale, Doug	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Miller, Cindie	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 – RIDER	DIST	Muller, Theresa	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Savino, Peggy	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Schneider, Cassie	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Schneider, David	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Solano, Maria	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Szczepaniak, Kellee	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 – RIDER	DIST	Taunt, Cristine	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Viramontes, Aimee	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Wheatley, Eileen	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
4 - RIDER	DIST	Wolfe, Della	Differentiated Instruction Participant	06/01/09
5 - CLASSIFIED RESIGNATION	WJH	Bautista, Sandra	Cafeteria Worker	05/21/09
5 - CLASSIFIED RESIGNATION	BL	Cabrera, Ana Marie	SPED Cross Categorical Aide	04/06/09
5 - CLASSIFIED RESIGNATION	BL	Elizarraras, Carolina	Preschool Aide	05/01/09
6 – CLASSIFIED HOURLY	PHS	Parker, Amber	AccuScan Clerk	05/12/09
7 - CLASSIFIED HIRING	DIST	Rocco, Erin	Speech Language Aide (transfer)	04/27/09
9 - LEAVE OF ABSENCE	WES	Henneman, Sandra	Maternity Leave	9/8/09 - 11/30/09

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mr. Parker, to approve the certified resignation, certified hourly, certified hiring, riders, classified resignations, classified hourly, classified hiring, and leave of absence as listed above. Mrs. Beaver abstained from voting on Tiffany Beaver. Motion carried.

D. Adopt Revised Budget for SY08-09

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to adopt the revised expenditure budget for SY08-09 as recommended. Motion carried unanimously.

E. ASBA Delegate

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to appoint Rudy Parker as the ASBA delegate for the June 27, 2009, meeting. Mr. Uden stated that the delegate assembly is a good opportunity to meet with ASBA and voice our concerns over various school issues and, in turn, have ASBA take those issues to the legislature. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Accept Sealed Bids

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to accept the sealed bids as listed below:

- Bid 10-08 Electrical Parts and Services: *Electrical Service Company*
- Bid 10-09 Grounds Maintenance: *Yuma Nursery Supply*
- Bid 10-10 Hardware Products: *Davis Building Supply*
- Bid 10-27 HVAC and Refrigeration: *All American Air*
- Bid 10-32 PHS School Uniform Shirts: *Lickety Stitch*

Mr. Lotts explained that sealed bids had also been solicited for Fire Protection Services, but that no bids had been received. Mr. Lotts will research various options, and possibly revise the bid solicitation. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Approve Arizona Cooperative State Procurement Agreement

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to approve the renewal of the Arizona Department of Administration Cooperative State Purchasing Agreement for the period July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010, as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this is an annual renewal to access the State Bid List, as well as State Surplus. The District reviews selected vendors from the list to make sure they meet all the requirements for school districts. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Continuance of Alternative Education Services

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to continue the proposal from Ombudsman Educational Services to provide alternative education services for FY08 through FY10, according to the Request for Proposals, and as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this a multi-year contract that must be re-approved every year. Motion carried unanimously.

I. Approve Use of Prepaid Legal Services

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to approve the use of Prepaid Legal Services through Arizona School Risk Retention Trust for FY2010 as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this is an annual renewal, and that we will be starting our fourth year with Prepaid Legal Services. The District has been pleased with this service, and it has been effective in controlling costs. Legal services are costing approximately \$10,000 annually, which is about half of what the District was paying before we joined this group. Mrs. Beaver inquired about accessing specialists, if necessary, in the event that a unique legal situation arose. Mr. Lotts replies that Prepaid Legal Services would recommend a specialist if the District needed one. Motion carried unanimously.

J. Continuance of Student Insurance Vendor

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to continue with Myers-Stevens & Toohey, Inc. as the vendor for student accident insurance for SY09/10 as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this insurance is offered directly to students every year, and the District has been satisfied with this service. Parents sometimes do not understand that if their child gets hurt at school, they are still responsible for paying their child's medical bills, unless the school caused the accident. This insurance provided a variety of policies that parents can purchase for this purpose. Mr. Parker inquired whether this insurance was only available to students of Parker High School. Mr. Uden replied that the insurance was available to all students of the District. Motion carried unanimously.

K. Continuance of Sporting Supplies Vendor

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mr. Parker, to continue the bid from First American Sports to provide sporting supplies for FY06 through FY11, according to the bid proposal, and as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this is a multi-year contract that must be re-approved every year. This company has been responsive to any problems we have had with sporting supplies. Motion carried unanimously.

L. Approve Computer Package Purchase

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to approve the purchase of Computer Package 2, as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this purchase was one way to partially address the anticipated legislative cash balance sweeps, by spending down \$65,810 of soft capital funds. Mr. Joe Gonzalez has proposed a computer replacement plan for the Business Office, Wallace Jr. High School, and Le Pera Elementary School.

M. Accept Title VII Indian Education Federal Allocation

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to accept the Title VII Indian Education Federal Allocation for SY09/10 in the amount of \$146,689.00, as recommended. Mr. Uden explained that this allocation funds a Dean of Students at Wallace Elementary, the District's attendance officers, and tutoring for Native American students. Motion carried unanimously.

N. Accept Donation

Mrs. Baldenegro moved, seconded by Mrs. Beaver, to accept a donation from the Microsoft Giving Campaign, on behalf of Jared Proudfoot, in the amount of \$500.00 for Science, Math, or Band programs, as recommended. Mr. Proudfoot's donation is greatly appreciated. Motion carried unanimously.

O. Set Next Meeting(s)

Mrs. Beaver moved, seconded by Mrs. Baldenegro, to set the next regular meeting for Tuesday, June 9, 2009, in the Parker High School Media Center at 7:00 PM, and the next special meeting, as needed, for Tuesday, May 26, 2009, at 9:00 AM in the District Office Conference Room. Motion carried unanimously.

III. DISCUSSION

A. Swine Flu Follow-up

Mr. Uden explained that the Parker High School staff did a good job of preparing for a potential school closure, in the event that any student would have tested positive for swine flu. He stated that at the beginning of the swine flu outbreak nationwide, the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) had called for schools to close if they had even one confirmed case of the flu. Later the CDC backed off of such a strict threshold to close school. Mr. Parker stated that he attended the planning meeting, and that Parker High School did a wonderful job of preparing for the possible closure.

B. English Language Learner (ELL) Parent Meeting Follow up

Mr. Uden stated that a planning meeting was held with several of the parents of students in the ELL program. The purpose of the meeting was to gather feedback regarding the possible movement of the ELL program to Le Pera Elementary School. At the meeting, parents strongly objected to having their students transferred from Blake Primary School to Le Pera Elementary School for a variety of reasons. Mr. Uden is still considering other ideas to get more students to attend Le Pera, and stated that the open enrollment numbers at Le Pera are good now. He stated that he will not be bringing forward a recommendation to make Le Pera

the magnet school for EL students. Mr. Parker stated that not having enough students at Le Pera could have other consequences later.

IV. INFORMATION/UPDATES

- A. Enrollment/Attendance Update
- B. Student Activities Accounts Status
- C. Year-to-Date District Expenditures Status

The Board was provided with monthly updates to Enrollment/Attendance, Student Activities Accounts, and Year-to-Date Expenditures. Mrs. Beaver inquired as to whether Mr. Uden had heard of any cash balance sweeps that had already taken place, outside of school districts. Mr. Uden replied that he had not. He stated that any legislative action to sweep the balances would take effect 90 days after the governor signed any such bill. Mrs. Beaver stated that she believed some sweeps had already taken place, and lawsuits as a result were likely.

V. PRINCIPAL/DIRECTOR REPORTS:

Mrs. Maxwell reported that the Elk Teen of the Month is Louis Golding. The Elk teen luncheon was May 5th. Mrs. Mc Cabe was our Teacher of the Year. The drama club has their first performance on May 17th.

Mrs. Bachmann reported that first, second and third grade students who met their Pizza Hut Book-It goal enjoyed grade level pizza parties provided by PTA. Tracy Gappa and Lori Bachmann attended the RTI training on May 1st. National Teacher Appreciation Week was May 4th – 8th and special thanks to the lunches provided by the Blake/WES PTA, Blake Social Committee, and Mrs. Bachmann. We also appreciated the visit by Governing Board member, Rudy Parker, and items sent by Janice Shelton, La Paz County Superintendent. Students and staff enjoyed a “Cinco de Mayo” celebration presented by the PHS Spanish Club dancers. The last SIC meeting was held on May 6th. Teachers are finalizing class lists. The 4th quarter writing test was on May 5th. The Reading and Math quarterly tests are on May 12th and 13th. DIBELS and the RTI Math Assessment are being administered this week as well. The fourth quarter awards assemblies will be on May 26th with Grades 2 and 3 at 8:50 AM, and Kindy and Grade 1 at 9:50 AM. Grade 3 is planning activities for the “Final Five” day of third grade. Blake will have their Move Up day for grades K-2 on May 26th at 1:00 PM and Grade 3 on May 27th at 10:45 AM. The last day of school Blake students will enjoy their Field Water Day. The theme is “Hawaiian Beach Party”. Teacher Check out is May 28th. A big thank you to Pam Stroud, Sandy Kohl, Linda Martinez and Tracy Gappa for the countless hours put toward the kindergarten transition from CRIT Head Start. Blake special education staff have been testing and holding meetings several times a week for the last four months. Special education numbers continue to rise. The self-contained room will be split into two rooms next year due to high numbers and serving different needs.

Mr. Sale congratulated the WES Students of the month for May. A special congratulations goes out to Tesla Stillman. She has been nominated to attend the people to people world leadership forum in Washington, DC in July. She is currently fundraising for her expenses on this trip. Our school improvement team has finally finished our school improvement plan. We will now make sure we are ready to present the plan to the teachers and parents. We sent Aimee Viramontes to a three day training on data on May 6th, 7th, and 8th. Mr. Woody and the band will be performing their spring concert on May 14th. Mrs. Stryker and the 6th grade choir will be performing a musical for Blake and Wallace School on May 20th and 21st. Our Spring Learning Fair will be taking place from 3:30-5:30 on May 21st in the Dome. Our final awards assembly will be held on May 22 starting at 9AM. We had around 60 people attend our "Are you smarter than a Wallace Mustang" fun night. Like all schools, we are finishing up the school year with District Quarterly testing, DIBELS testing, and Reading Fluency testing. We will be holding our AIMS prize drawing on May 22nd. Move up day will be held on May 27th at 10:45 AM.

Mr. Wolf reported that the Special Education Parent Satisfaction Survey has been provided to all parents of special education students. There was an initial problem that did not allow those that wanted to complete the on-line version into the system. After consulting with ADE, a new set of passwords and codes were generated and sent to parents. It appears to be a return rate closing in on the 10% level needed. We want to get well beyond the minimum 10% return, so a new round of reminders will go out within the next week. It appears there are 43 eligible registered students for the ELL Summer School Program, and a few more parent approvals are still anticipated. Updating of the Colorado River Indian Tribes Head Start MOU for SY 2009-10 is underway. No major changes are anticipated.

Mr. Wolfe reported that the following middle school students were recognized by the Elks Club at a luncheon on May 1st as the "Students of the Month" for 2008-2009: August: Jose Saucedo, September: Karen Thome and Ariathne Olivas, October: Marcella Barrios, November: Samuel Serrato, December: Jessica Rodriguez and Ulysses Sanchez Acuna, January: Sonya Brown, February: Domingo Esquerra, March: Francisco Diarte and Beatriz Cervantes, April: Giovanni Corea and Magali Sevilla, May: Jalyn Frazier and Lizette Magana. Our fourth quarter awards assembly for the middle school will be held on May 22nd and the K-5 awards assembly will be held on May 27th at 9:00 AM. Congratulations to Armando Heredia. Mr. Heredia was selected as the Parker Rotary Club Teacher of the Year for PUSD # 27. Freshman Orientation will be held on May 13th at Parker High School for our promoting eighth graders. The orientation will begin at 9:00 AM and conclude at 11:30 AM. Our "End of the Year" staff gathering is scheduled to take place on May 9th at La Paz County Park. Retiring teacher, Virginia Payne will be recognized for her contributions to the students at Le Pera over the years, as well as recognizing others who will not be returning to Le Pera next year. Our Spring Musical will be held on May 19th at 6:00 PM in the gym. We held our annual student Field Day events on May 4th, 6th and 8th. Our primary grades participated on the 4th, with the intermediate grades going on the 6th and the middle school students participating on the 8th. Everyone had fun, but we had to watch the students closely due to the weather starting to warm up. On May 5th the Spanish Club from PHS performed for our student body in celebration of Cinco de Mayo. The high school students did a fine job dancing and singing for our students. Our 8th grade students will be attending CRIT Theater on May 27th for a free movie provided by the theater. We would like to thank them again this year for doing this for our promoting students. Upon their return to Le Pera, we will be hosting a PTSO hamburger/hotdog barbeque for the students. Promotion ceremonies are scheduled for 7:00 PM on May 26th in the Le Pera Gym.

NOTICE: MINUTES ARE NOT OFFICIAL UNTIL ADOPTED BY THE GOVERNING BOARD

Dr. Shontz reported that the May Student-of-the-Month is Crystal Svider. PHS Teacher-of-the-Year is Maria Solano. May 12th is the Softball Banquet in Alumni Hall. Below is a listing of events at PHS for the month of May:

- 5/13
 - SIC Meeting at 7:00 am
 - 8th Grade Orientation at 9:00 am in New Gym
 - Senior Class Meeting about Grad Night during Bronc Time
 - Yearbook Distribution at 2:40 pm in New Gym
 - Cheer Banquet at 6:30 pm in Alumni Hall
- 5/14
 - Awards Picnic at La Paz County Park
 - Seniors leave for Grad Night at 4:00 pm
- 5/15
 - Seniors return from Grad Night at approximately noon.
 - Early Release Collaboration schedule
 - Free Physicals for athletics for next year in New Gym
 - Student Body Elections
- 5/18
 - Drama Production Dress Rehearsal from 3:30 – 5:30 pm
 - Track Banquet at 6:30 pm in Alumni Hall
- 5/19
 - Drama Production in Alumni Hall. Dinner at 5:30 pm and performance at 6:30 pm
- 5/20
 - Senior Farewell Assembly
 - Drama Production in Alumni Hall. Dinner at 5:30 pm and performance at 6:30 pm.
- 5/21
 - Golf Banquet at 5:30 pm in Library
 - Choir Concert at 7:00 pm in Alumni Hall
 - Band Concert at 8:00 pm in Alumni Hall
- 5/22
 - Senior Finals periods 2 and 3
 - Class Officer Elections
- 5/26
 - Finals periods 4 and 1
- 5/27
 - Graduation Practice at 8:00 am
 - Finals periods 2 and 3
 - Graduation at 8:00 pm
- 5/28
 - Teacher check-out day

Two female track athletes will be competing at the state track meet this weekend. All other sports are done. Free Physicals this Friday in New Gym starting at 2 PM.

Mrs. Cooke provided a written report stating that students completed the quarterly writing assessment on May 5th. Reading and math quarterly assessments were on May 12th and 13th. Teacher workshops in May include completing SmartBoard trainings and reading book studies. The math grant teachers meet on May 16th to learn how to develop math WebQuests. The science grant teachers meet on May 9th and May 30th

to work on science curriculum maps. The math grant is sponsoring a one-week differentiated instruction training June 1-5. Forty teachers will participate. On June 6th, twenty-five teachers will participate in a training to develop notebook foldables.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:03 PM by Mr. Rudy Parker, President.

Governing Board President
Parker Unified School District #27